

# Francis Chan

## Data Analyst

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Aspiring data analyst with a strong foundation in statistics, machine learning, and data visualization. Experienced in R, Python, SQL, and Tableau with hands-on projects involving predictive modeling, classification, and data wrangling. Passionate about turning complex data into actionable insights to support data-driven decision-making in business and technology environments.

## EDUCATION

### University of California, Los Angeles

Bachelor of Science in Statistics & Data Science

Los Angeles, CA

Sep 2023 – Jun 2025

### De Anza College

Associate of Science in Mathematics, Dean's List 2021-2023

Cupertino, CA

Sep 2021 - June 2023

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

R, SQL, Tableau, Git, Python(pandas, numpy, scikit-learn), Stata, Java, HTML, CSS, Microsoft Excel (vlookup, pivot table)

## COURSEWORKS

**Math:** Monte Carlo Simulation, Linear Models, Optimizations, Mathematical Statistics, Data Analysis & Regression, Computational Statistics, Multivariable Calculus, Vector Calculus, Differential Equations, Linear Algebra, Discrete

**Computer Science:** Data Abstraction and Structure, Statistical Programming, Data Visualization

**Business:** Analytics in Accounting, Microeconomics, Macroeconomics

## PROJECTS

### Elon Musk X Sentiment & Stock Market Volatility Prediction (Python, XGBoost, Transformer)

- Built an end-to-end machine learning pipeline that predicts short-term TSLA stock volatility from Elon Musk's tweet sentiment and engagement metrics.
- Applied multiple NLP models (VADER, FinBERT, Twitter-RoBERTa) to label tweet sentiment; engineered hybrid features and aligned them with intraday market volatility using yfinance.
- Achieved 0.85 accuracy, 0.87 precision, and 0.97 recall for high-volatility days using XGBoost, outperforming direction-based models.

### NBA Game Outcome Prediction Using Statistical Modeling (Python)

- Developed a predictive analytics pipeline using logistic regression, SVM, and Random Forests to forecast NBA 2023–2024 game outcomes, achieving 69% test-set accuracy.
- Engineered matchup features (e.g., win differentials, home/away effects) and tuned hyperparameters to optimize model generalizability.
- Created a data-driven win probability framework to support strategic decision-making in sports analytics.

### Fraud Detection and Transaction Analysis (XGBoost + SQL)

- Performed EDA on multi-table transaction data using advanced SQL (joins, CTEs, window functions) to identify fraud patterns and user behavior.
- Built logistic regression and XGBoost classifiers in R, achieving 90%+ AUC and 0.78 balanced accuracy; engineered features and tuned thresholds to improve fraud recall.
- Visualized spending trends, category risks, and feature importance; combined SQL querying with R (ggplot2, caret) for interpretable model insights.

### Credit Card Recommender System

- Engineered a KNN-based credit card recommendation system trained on a custom-built dataset scraped from 100+ cards across credit tiers.
- Automated feature extraction for cashback rate, APR range, annual fee, and bonus offers; cleaned and labeled data into a machine learning-ready format.
- Enabled users to input financial preferences and receive personalized card suggestions, simulating a fintech recommendation engine.

## JOB EXPERIENCE

### Front Desk Assistant, UCLA Housing

- Delivered high-quality customer service to students, staff, and visitors.
- Maintained and updated housing records and visitor logs, providing data-driven insights for administrative decision-making.